The Benefits of a Postsecondary Degree or Certificate

**INDIVIDUAL**
- Earn higher income
- Enjoy a healthier lifestyle
- Have lower unemployment rates

**PUBLIC**
- Rely on fewer social services and public safety nets
- Create jobs that yield tax revenue and contribute toward building a stronger economy
- Are more likely to contribute to their communities

#CORises
More than 405,000 Undergraduate and graduate students

2019 Colorado Student Enrollment

- 13 four-year institutions
- 15 two-year institutions
- 3 area technical colleges
- Private occupational schools
- Private institutions
Our Priorities

Preparing Coloradans for jobs of the future

Closing equity gaps

Containing costs
74% of jobs will require some education beyond high school.

Source: Georgetown Center for Education and the Workforce

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THE COLORADO GOAL
66% ATTAINMENT BY 2025

STRATEGIC GOAL #1
Increase Completion

STRATEGIC GOAL #2
Erase Equity Gaps

STRATEGIC GOAL #3
Improve Student Success

STRATEGIC GOAL #4
Invest in Affordability and Innovation
Colorado’s Equity Gaps

American Indian and Alaska Native
2019 - 33.2%
GAP - 32.8%

African American and Black
2019 - 40.3%
GAP - 25.7%

Hispanic and Latinx
2019 - 28.6%
GAP - 37.4%
STRATEGIC GOAL 4: Invest in Affordability and Innovation

COLORADO POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION COST SHARE

- Student Share (Resident Tuition)
- State Share (General Fund)

Yearly Share Percentages:
- 2000-01: 68%
- 2001-02: 32%
- 2002-03: 36%
- 2003-04: 40%
- 2004-05: 42%
- 2005-06: 40%
- 2006-07: 42%
- 2007-08: 40%
- 2008-09: 42%
- 2009-10: 44%
- 2010-11: 46%
- 2011-12: 48%
- 2012-13: 50%
- 2013-14: 52%
- 2014-15: 54%
- 2015-16: 56%

Department of Higher Education
Expanding access to Concurrent Enrollment classes

Scaling experiential learning programs like CareerWise

Engaging communities through collective impact work (Colorado Opportunity Scholarship Initiative)

Improving transparency and accountability, including ROI report

Grants and research